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EDITORIAL

BOOSTERS

DID YOU EVER STOP AND THINK, FRIENDS, WHAT A GRAND THING THE ALMA SPIRIT IS? How contagious it is and how proud we are of our city? Do you realize if we back up this Pride by our Loyalty that we can be just twice as proud when we get through? AND THAT IS WHAT WE SHOULD ALL DO.

If Jack, the little scamp, has worn out those shoes you bought him we are going to suggest that you buy your next pair in Alma. If you are contemplating building or improving, SECURE YOUR MATERIALS IN ALMA AND CONTRACT ALMA LABOR. If you are not confining all your purchases to this city, START TODAY. Try this awhile and see how good it feels to look yourself in the glass each morning and be able to say, "Howdy, Old Booster!"

To tell you the truth, friends, if you could buy merchandise at 50c on the dollar away from Alma you still cannot afford—either as a property owner or as a working person—to REMOVE THAT 50c FROM THE COMMUNITY.

When you do, you are knocking the props from under your own property values, undermining the financial structure that forms our industrial existence and thus removing from the working homes of our community JUST THAT MUCH SUSTENANCE, COMFORT AND HAPPINESS.

WE WANT TO BURN THIS IN DEEP. You cannot measure so-called money saving against the tearing-down process that involves the community from whence it comes. THEREFORE KEEP YOUR MONEY AT HOME BY SPENDING IT AT HOME.

And to make times good, property values high and employment for all—let normal business transactions prevail without doubts or misgivings. BUY WHAT YOU NEED FREELY. Money put in circulation comes back in wages, crop receipts, investments and in PROSPERITY.

HOARDING DOLLARS IS A GAME WE SHOULD ALL DISCOURAGE. Spending them foolishly is another matter. But purchasing the requirements of living, indulging in reasonable amusement and sane investments SPELLS PROGRESS AND FINANCIAL SUCCESS FOR ALL. "Setting Tight" is a pastime of the Doubter who contributes nothing to the prosperous conditions which can be made to always prevail.

HARD TIMES EXIST MOST IN THE MINDS OF PESSIMISTS. Take yourself from this class. Wear the smile of optimism, show commercial courage and faith AND KEEP BOOSTING FOR ALMA. By so doing we will have Civic Success and a City to be proud of.

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Spokes Around The Hub

Celebrates 50th Anniversary—The Presbyterian Church of Mt. Pleasant celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with special services Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week. Special speakers were City Manager Peterson, Charles Slater and Rev. Henry W. Fisher, D. D., of Saginaw.

Real Team Normal View—Central Normal of Mt. Pleasant, whose basketball teams of the past few years have compelled the respect of all Michigan colleges, will again be represented by a strong aggregation. A meeting of the leading basketball men in school revealed a wealth of material which would seem to show that Central Normal's prospects were never as bright as they appear this year. Of last year's Varsity there are Cronier, Brooks, Calkins, and Lo-desnyk available for service.

Kirchheimer Sells Out—Sam Kirchheimer has sold his clothing store in Ithaca and retired from business. Sam was so well known and had been there so long that no one thought of his retiring until he announced that he had sold his entire stock to Mr. Baxter of the Queen City Sales Co. of Detroit. Mr. Baxter has already taken possession.

Big Shipping Point—It is safe to say that more live stock is shipped each week from the village of Fowler than from any town of like size in the state. Monday is shipping day in Fowler and from early morning until late in the afternoon farmers from all directions may be seen bringing in wagon load after wagon load of live stock of all kinds. This week Monday there were eight carloads, or 14 decks, of live stock marketed in this thriving village, and after observing the amount of stock that has been marketed at this point every week for the last several weeks one can not help wondering where it all comes from and how much longer it will be before there is no more stock to sell. But the farmers in that section are usually thrifty and those who are in a position to know say they nearly always have something to sell.

To Remodel I. O. O. F. Hall—Members of the I. O. O. F. lodge of St. Johns are planning to put several big improvements on their hall at the corner of Clinton avenue and Railroad street. The entire second and third floors of the building will be utilized. On the north side of the second floor a large dining room and kitchen will be fitted up. The dining room will be 56 feet long by 24 feet wide, and the kitchen will be 12 by 24 feet in dimensions. The south half of the floor will be divided into two sections, a ladies' parlor, 24x30 feet, and a gentlemen's club room, 26x34 feet in dimensions. These

rooms will be fitted up with cloak rooms and every convenience. In order to help pay for this remodeling the Odd Fellows are planning a series of dancing parties this winter in their hall, which was equipped with a new floor last year. The first of these dances will be held next Wednesday night.

Big Road Plan—A tentative program for state trunk line highway construction in 1922, calling for a total expenditure of over thirteen millions of dollars has been submitted by Frank F. Rogers, state highway commissioner for approval. It includes a good program for Midland county. Under the present national highway policy the Federal government matches each state, dollar for dollar, for trunk line highway work not exceeding a cost of \$40,000 a mile. For this \$165,000 to be spent in Midland county is to build 19 miles of new trunk line highways, all gravel excepting a half mile of pavement in the city of Coleman. And the county's share of this expenditure will be about \$33,000 which was provided for by the board of supervisors during its session last month. Twelve miles of this trunk line will make the connecting link between Midland and Mt. Pleasant.

High Shot Instead of Rabbit—Dr. C. V. Hays of Midland and another man went out recently to enjoy a day of rabbit hunting up near Estey. In the woods they were standing probably 40 feet apart when a rabbit bounded up in sight, directly between the two hunters and jumped in the Doctor's direction. In the sudden excitement of the moment the other man fired and the Doctor received several of the bird shot in his leg. The Doctor returned to Midland and attempted to operate upon himself and was successful in digging out one of the shot, but the rest were so firmly imbedded in the muscles and bone that he had to let them remain. Monday he became quite ill and fearing some infection from the wounds left for his father's home in Coleman. He was so much improved in a couple of days, that he was back at the office again today.

Dewey in Postoffice—Geo. M. Dewey has assumed his duties as postmaster of the city of Owosso under appointment by President Harding, having been certified by the Civil Service Commission as one who passed a satisfactory examination for the position and having received the endorsement of Congressman J. W. Fordney of this district.

Plan City Market—At the commission meeting Monday night Mayor A. T. Wright of Owosso said that he had under consideration the forming of a city market for the city and that he was looking for a place which would be suitable. He informed City Attorney Pond that as soon as he found a desirable place he would draft the incorporation article for the market and submit it for approval. The market will provide a place for consumers to

buy direct from the producer and it will prove an inducement for the farmer to bring his produce to the city. Naturally, if the farmer comes to town with his produce, he will buy his week's supply in the city where he can sell his produce to the best advantage, and it will be to the interests of the citizens of Owosso to back this movement wholeheartedly.

Gets Life Sentence—Louis Phyllaire, who last week Tuesday shot and killed a neighbor, Merle Shepherd, at his farm near Owosso, because of a snowball argument in which their children indulged, has been sentenced to life imprisonment at Jackson.

Garage Damaged By Flames—An evening fire of unknown origin started above the offices in the Lamphere Bros. garage in Clare and caused a serious loss, damage to the garage being \$3,000.

ELWELL

Marvin Williams of Saginaw is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

The entertainment at the I. O. O. F. Hall was well attended. The proceeds are for the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wacha, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Ralph Olmstead, Mrs. Genevieve Caldwell, Mrs. George Law, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hutchinson and daughter, Anna, Mrs. Charles Slingluff and Marlie Slingluff attended "Fads and Fancies of 1921" at the Strand Theatre in Alma Friday evening.

Mrs. Herbert Gilpen is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mobio, Dr. and Mrs. Highfield, Rev. and Mrs. Strong of Riverdale were callers here Friday evening.

Mrs. Marlie Slingluff is still on the sick list.

Dick Brown of Saginaw was a caller here Tuesday.

Mrs. Geo. Bliss of Howell, who has been visiting relatives in this vicinity, returned to her home Monday.

Shirley Wiltshire is working for Clarence Fairchild.

The dance Wednesday evening was well attended.

Mrs. Ralph Fairchild who was taken to Carney's hospital last week is reported better.

Dorothy Murphy and Doris Slingluff of Alma spent the week end with their parents here.

A Rat That Didn't Smell After Being Dead for 3 Months.

"I swear it was dead at least 3 months," said James Sykes, Butcher, Westfield, N. J. "We saw this rat every day. Put a cake of RAT-SNAP behind a barrel. Months later my wife asked about the rat. Remembered the barrel, looked behind it. There was the rat—dead, not the slightest odor."

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